

What is sexting and why is it so bad?

Sexting is sending sexually explicit text or picture messages through any kind of technology. This is usually done through cell phones.

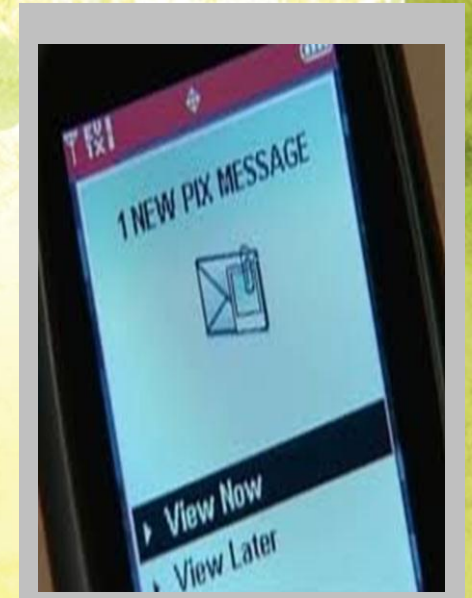
There are many reasons why sexting is bad. It can affect you negatively in many ways. Some of these may include socially, emotionally, and can even be punishable by law.

This is a very serious matter, and cannot be taken lightly. It may seem fun at the moment, but can lead to serious damage.

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Prevent and Stop Sexting!

Information on the harm sexting can
cause and how to avoid it.

THINK! Prevent Sexting.



THINK OF THE CONSEQUENCES:

By sending sexually explicit pictures of someone underage you could risk being kicked off sports team, suffer humiliation, lose schooling or career opportunities', or even get in trouble with the law.

THINK OF WHO COULD SEE IT:

Before sending pictures or texts make sure that you wouldn't be embarrassed if your entire school or family saw it. Believe it or not it could go that far.

THINK BEFORE FORWARDING:

By sending an inappropriate picture of an underage child you could be charged for distributing child pornography. This could result in jail time, loss of career, and even being registered as a sex offender. Also, think of others. How would you feel?

THINK ABOUT REPORTING:

If you have received inappropriate picture or text messages report them! Your first thought may be to delete them, but DON'T. Show the messages or pictures to an adult. Be heard!

Before you sext it think.....

Are the consequences worth it? Would I want my peers, parents, or employers to see this? Whose feelings could and will be hurt by doing this? Also, think about reporting.

Parents

What can I do to prevent my children from sexting?



Council your children on sexting.

First things first, talk to your children! Give them an understanding of what sexting is, and the consequences of it. Secondly, lay down the rules! Let them know your expectations, and how you feel about sexting. Rules may be set on technology, computers placed in a public place, and maybe restrictions on cell phones. Thirdly, let them know of the consequences you will place if they are found sexting. Lastly, make sure that they know they can report it. Make them feel comfortable.